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PRINTERS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OF REISSUE APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Please amend US Patent No. 6,152,443, issued on November 28, 2000, as set forth below.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Twice amended) An optical device for detecting an edge of a medium in hard copy devices, comprising an extension which engages the medium and oscillates on two pivots, each of which engages a respective guiding groove.
- 7. (Twice amended) A hard copy device comprising an input guide for media and an optical device for detecting an edge of a medium arranged above the input guide, whereby a first extension of the optical device contacts the medium, extends downward towards said input guide and oscillates on two pivots.

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Remarks

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application.

Claims 1 and 7 have been amended to reflect that the optical device oscillates on two pivots.

As described in column 4, lines 25-44, and as shown in Figures 5-9, the optical device oscillates on two pivots but not necessarily simultaneously.

Consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the abstract and the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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Please amend the claims as follows:



- 1. (Twice amended) An optical device for detecting an edge of a medium in hard copy devices, comprising an extension which engages the medium and oscillates [simultaneously] on two pivots, each of which engages a respective guiding groove.
- 7. (Twice amended) A hard copy device comprising an input guide for media and an optical device for detecting an edge of a medium arranged above the input guide, whereby a first extension of the optical device contacts the medium, extends downward towards said input guide and oscillates [simultaneously] on two pivots.